

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 25, 26, 28, 33-36, 39, 50 and 52 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please amend Claims 23-24, 27, and 29-32 as follows. All of the pending claims are presented below as required by U.S. Patent and Trademark Office rules.

1-22. (Cancelled)

23. (Currently Amended) ~~An ink-jet recorded image~~ The ink-jet imaged recording medium according to Claim 24, wherein a saturation in CIE-L*a*b* space at a solid printed area of the colored portion is at least 50.

24. (Currently Amended) ~~An ink-jet recorded image~~ imaged recording medium comprising a colored portion ~~formed on a recording medium~~, wherein the colored portion comprises aggregates of fine particles, each of the fine particles having a coloring material thereon by adsorption in a monomolecular state,
wherein the coloring material is anionic or cationic, and the fine particles have a polarity opposite to that of the coloring material.

25-26. (Cancelled)

27. (Currently Amended) ~~An ink-jet recorded image~~ The ink-jet imaged recording medium according to claim 24, wherein a ratio of the coloring material to the fine particles is larger in a peripheral portion of the image than in the remaining portion of the image.

28. (Cancelled)

29. (Currently Amended) The ink-jet ~~recorded image~~ imaged recording medium according to Claim ~~28~~ 24, wherein the fine particles have such a surface potential that an absolute value of a zeta potential in an aqueous liquid composition in which the fine particles are dispersed is 5 to 90 mV.

30. (Currently Amended) The ink-jet ~~recorded image~~ imaged recording medium according to Claim 24, wherein the average particle diameter of the fine particles is within a range of from 0.005 to 1 μm .

31. (Currently Amended) The ink-jet ~~recorded image~~ imaged recording medium according to Claim 24, wherein the image is of plural colors.

32. (Currently Amended) The ink-jet ~~recorded image~~ imaged recording medium according to Claim 31, wherein the plural colors are at least two colors selected from the group consisting of yellow, magenta, cyan, red, green, blue and black.

33-52. (Cancelled)